

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES  
CLASS SPECIFICATION

HEARING AND SPEECH TECHNICIAN I

POSITION CODE: 18261  
Effective: 2-1-90

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF WORK:

Under immediate supervision, with professional supervision by an Illinois licensed audiologist or an Illinois licensed speech/language pathologist, performs beginning level supportive functions which complement professional hearing and speech diagnosis and therapy programs; assists qualified hearing and speech specialists in conducting basic language development work; assists in routine hearing, speech and language reinforcement therapy; assists in conducting hearing evaluations; assists in maintenance of records and in preparation of program materials.

NOTE: Appropriate professional supervision of the work in an educational program regulated by the State Board of Education may also be provided by individuals with certification in the assigned specialty and with a type 10 standard certificate.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK:

1. Performs beginning level hearing and speech support functions which provide care, treatment and training for primarily the mentally ill and mentally retarded patients with communication handicaps.
2. Utilizes appropriate program materials and techniques in carrying out speech and language development work; assists therapeutic team staff in evaluating patient's progress.
3. Conducts lessons aimed at attention/concentration span improvement, self-awareness and social communications developments; assists with reinforcement of articulation drills for patients with less complicated speech problems.
4. Operates and calibrates hearing and speech equipment; assists in preparing evaluation and therapy equipment for use.
5. Assists in speech, language and hearing therapy activities; assists in the administration of routine hearing, speech and language screening and testing.

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6. Assists in maintaining routine records and progress reports; may supervise the transportation of patients.
7. Participates in prescribed types of on-the-job training to develop and increase level of competence; reads publications, magazines, books and journals concerning the hearing and speech field.
8. Performs other duties as required or assigned which are reasonably within the scope of the duties enumerated above.

### DESIRABLE REQUIREMENTS:

#### Education and Experience

Requires successful completion of an approved Hearing and Speech Technician Trainee Program (Option A)

#### Knowledges, Skills and Abilities

Requires ability to effectively utilize the acquired training skills in hearing and speech communications development work.